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MARTIN IN THE LEAD.

The Plucky Detroiters Away
Ahead in the Bicycle Race.

Waller Takes Second Place While
the Austrian Sleeps.

Schock Fall Off His Wheel With-
out Being Awakened.

SCORE AT 1.30.

	Miles.	Laps.
Martin	872	0
Waller	862	4
Schock	824	4
Albert	771	1
Homer	732	0
Metz	712	0
Van Lumberg	663	0
Fielden	641	0
Barton	614	0
Forster	604	0
Ashinger	507	0

Billy Martin does not intend to let the championship slip from him in the Madison Square Garden endurance contest through any little thing like a stiff knee and blistered feet. Despite his sufferings of yesterday, Martin, the champion, kept pluckily at his work. He took twenty minutes for massage treatment yesterday afternoon, and last night he had a sleep of one hour and fifteen minutes, a total of about three hours off the track since Sunday midnight. This morning he was in much better condition than yesterday, and was riding hard. Shortly after 9 o'clock he overhauled Schock and took the lead.



MARTIN, THE LEADER.
Schock has gained the reputation of sleeping on his wheel, but he spent 40 minutes in rest, rubbing and feeding from midnight to 1.30 this morning, making up to that hour hours and 25-30 minutes off and 22-1.2 on the wheel since the start of the race.

Waller, who rode such a splendid race yesterday, took three hours and twelve minutes of rest last night, and was in good condition this morning. He set out to make up this lost time by fast riding to-day, but he was hindered by the need to maintain his lead of three miles. At 9.23, while Schock was taking a nap in his booth, Waller passed him in the 80th mile.

At 9.26, while Waller was spurring with Martin, the tall "greenhorn," an "Oklahoma bomber" was hurled violently against the scores' fence. He got a badly bruised knee, but after a little rubbing with liniment he returned to the track, receiving the cheers of the 20 spectators who had gathered at that early hour.

This was the second time Ashinger had been unseated through the interference of another. But, though he is next to the tail, he has ridden with it all cheerfully and resignedly, and worked as hard as ever.

The score at 1 o'clock this morning was as follows:
O'Clock Score. Miles. Laps.
Martin 872 0
Waller 862 4
Schock 824 4
Albert 771 1
Homer 732 0
Metz 712 0
Van Lumberg 663 0
Fielden 641 0
Barton 614 0
Forster 604 0
Ashinger 507 0

Confidence in Champion Martin, who rode 1.48 1/2 miles in the 180 race, had returned, and there were others but no takers of wagers that he would win this race and add 150 miles to the 142-hour record.

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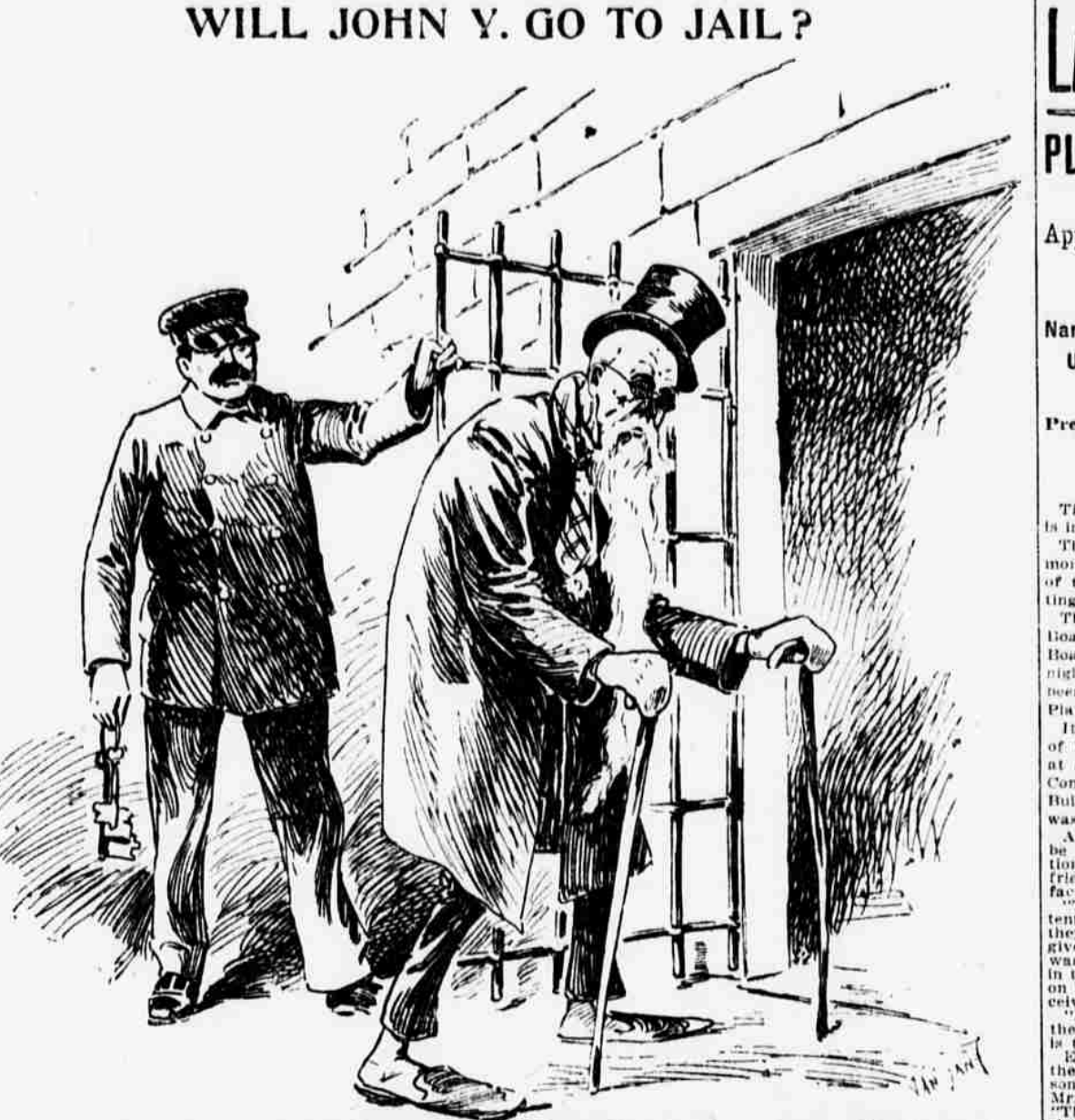
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If He Does He Will Look Like This When He Does Go.

TROOPS WIPED OUT. AFTER 4 CAPTAINS. NOW OUR MONITOR.

Reported Disaster to the Expedi-
tion Against King Lo.

Capt. Wilson and Force Said to Be
Annihilated.

Despatches Come to South African
Merchants in London.

(By Associated Press.)
LONDON, Dec. 27.—A terrible disaster is said to have occurred to the scouting party under the command of Capt. Wilson, which has been in pursuit of King Lobengula and which has not been heard from for some time.

Several South African merchants in this city received cable messages to-day announcing that Capt. Wilson's force have been completely annihilated by the Matabele.

The report is as yet unconfirmed; but there seems reason to believe that a very serious engagement has taken place, and that the British forces have got the worst of it.

INSPECTORS STILL ON GUARD.

But the Steam Company's Smoke
Nuisance Has Been Abated.

Sanitary Superintendent Roberts, of the Health Department, sent his inspector, Mr. J. H. Williams, to inspect the New York Steam Company's building at Cortlandt and Washington streets for another day.

He reported this morning that the nuisance had been abated. Early yesterday morning a heavy smoke was seen issuing from the chimneys, but later in the day no smoke bothered the neighborhood.

President Wilson said that he would be pleased to have "The Evening World" point out any similar nuisance, and he would see that it was at once abated.

BICYCLES HIS BANE.

John Mulholland Has a Failing for
the Two-Wheeled Vehicles.

John Mulholland, of Blomfield street, Hoboken, was a prisoner in Justice Kimbrell's court, Jersey City, this morning charged with stealing a bicycle in Bergen Point. Albert Stevens, of Danforth avenue, in the Greenville section of the city, also appeared against the prisoner and charged him with stealing a bicycle from him.

Dr. Parkhurst and Seven Wit-
nesses Before the Grand Jury.

Reticent as to the Evidence He Had
to Present.

Rev. Dr. Parkhurst, Lawyer Frank Moss and six witnesses came together in Lawyer Moss's office in the Bennett Building at 10 o'clock this morning. A short consultation was held, and then all hands repaired to the County Court House, where the Extraordinary Grand Jury awaited them.

Dr. Parkhurst refused to talk of the evidence that he proposed to put before the Grand Jury. From other sources it was learned, however, that Dr. Parkhurst will present evidence against four police captains. The witnesses and Dr. Parkhurst will probably be before the Grand Jury all day.

Dr. Parkhurst's letters of yesterday morning, which were sent to Police Headquarters this morning, but few of the officials interested would talk for publication.

Inspector Williams in answer to the inquiry of an "Evening World" reporter said that he had not yet been officially notified of the charges contained in the letters.

"Until such notification is received," said he, "I will not talk on the matter." "I don't believe in talking until something has been done. I don't know what will be the result of the action they take after this I will answer," he said.

TO SUCCEED MAGOUN.

W. C. Gulliver May Take His Place
in the Two Corlidge Companies.

It is reported that Mr. William C. Gulliver will take the place of Mr. George C. Magoun on the National Cordage Reorganization Committee as well as on the new Board of Directors of the United States Cordage Company.

The United States Cordage Company was incorporated Dec. 26, 1893, in New Jersey. The capital stock is the same as the National Cordage Company, \$20,000,000, divided into 200,000 shares of \$100 each. The company has a guaranteed stock of \$10,000,000, and a preferred stock of \$10,000,000.

Hurry Orders for the Mian-
to-moh to Start.

Sealed Instructions as to Her
Destination.

Rear Admiral Bancroft Gherardi, Commandant of the Brooklyn Navy Yard, received a despatch from Washington this morning ordering the officers of the United States monitor Mian-to-moh to prepare the vessel within twenty-four hours for an ocean cruise. Sealed orders were also received by Capt. Wallace, of the monitor, in this morning's mail.

Everybody at the Navy-Yard refuses to say anything of the destination of the monitor. It is said, however, that she is bound for Rio, but will stop for a few days at Trinidad, West Indies. The Mian-to-moh cannot carry enough coal for an ocean cruise of more than two or three days. She will probably stop down the coast and coal up before reaching Trinidad.

The monitor will sail under the command of Capt. Wallace with a complement of 150 men. The officers of the new monitor had hoped that they would have been given a chance to have the Mian-to-moh, but they were ordered to prepare sailing orders were received.

There is only one dynamo in good working order on board. They may have to illuminate the vessel with all before reaching their destination. The Mian-to-moh will probably leave the Navy Yard at high water to-morrow.

THE IVY CITY TEST CASE.

Put Over Until This Afternoon at
Mr. Birney's Request.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 27.—The trial of Bookmaker Bennington, of the Detroit club, otherwise known as George Marvin, charged with stealing a bicycle in the case at the Ivy City race track did not come off in the police court this morning. District Attorney Birney asked a continuance until this afternoon. The request was agreed to by counsel for the race track, and after a short consultation among those concerned the case went over until 2 o'clock this afternoon.

The defendants were ready to proceed with their case, but the Government was not. It was explained at the District Attorney's office that on account of the arrest of the stockholders' meeting this morning were: Rudolph Keppeler, William H. Corbin, W. C. Young, G. D. Williams, W. W. Sherman, W. B. Sowell, Francis Smith, Joseph J. Donohue, Valentine P. Snyder and John Scott.

After the Reorganization Committee has completed its work it is expected that Messrs. Keppeler, Sowell and Gulliver will also be elected permanent directors.

GRANT IN CONTROL.

Sworn in as Receiver of St. Nicholas
Bank.